

FISCAL NOTE

HB 261 - SB 350

February 21, 2005

SUMMARY OF BILL: Redefines “small business,” for the purpose of the exemption from filing a protest bond regarding a proposed state contract for procurement of personal, professional, and consultant services, by increasing the amount of total gross receipts from no more than \$2.0 million to no more than \$2.5 million. This modification would apply to contracts in which the lowest evaluated cost proposal is less than \$1.0 million.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

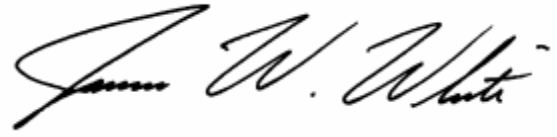
Increase State Expenditures – Not Significant

Assumptions:

- This bill may increase the number of protests on procurement contracts with businesses having annual gross receipts between \$2.0 million and \$2.5 million.
- Number of incremental protests resulting from this bill will not be significant.
- Any resulting increase in the number of protests would place additional responsibilities on the Department of Finance & Administration.
- Does not affect the criteria and standards for eligibility as a small business under rules of the Department of General Services.
- Since this bill is not expected to change the number of protests dramatically, there will be no significant increase in state expenditures.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James W. White". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "James" written in a smaller, more compact script than the last name "White".

James W. White, Executive Director